construction of the canal between the Cherai and Manappilli jetties for the irrigation of the Puthanpadom niloms, and if the answer is in the negative, will the Government be pleased to explain the reasons for the delay?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The work has not been sanctioned as it is not possible to find funds for the same at present.

MANAPAT CHIRA—INSUFFICIENCY OF WATER SUPPLIED FROM

235. Mr. P. K. Madhava Menon *(Narakkal):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether Government are aware of the fact that the Mundakan crops in Malayattur were adversely affected in the year 1114 owing to insufficiency of water supplied from the Manapat chira.

(*b*) that the insufficient supply was due to the lowlevel of water in the chira;

(*c*) whether it would not be possible to provide a sufficient supply of water to the fields, if a portable pump is installed in the chira when the water-level becomes low?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* (*a*) Yes it is due to the failure of north-east monsoon in the year.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes; the benefits derived will be only to a limited extent.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. കെ. മാധവമേനോൻ: വെള്ളം കിട്ടാത്ത അവസരത്തിൽ കുറച്ചു ദിവസത്തേക്കെങ്കിലും അവിടത്തെ കൃഷിക്കാർക്ക് വെള്ളം കിട്ടുവാനുള്ള വല്ല മാർഗ്ഗവും ചെയ്യുവാൻ ഗവൺമെണ്ടിനു സാധിക്കുമോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. അരവിന്ദാക്ഷമേനോൻ: അതിനെപ്പറ്റി അന്വേഷണം നടത്തിയാലെ സാധിക്കുമോ എന്നുള്ളതു പറയാൻ തരമുള്ളൂ.

ROAD BOARD—RECOMMENDATIONS OF—ACTION TAKEN ON.

236. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether all the recommendations of the Road Board are carried out so far;

(*b*) if not, what are the items not carried out and the reasons for the delay?

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